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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** November 12, 2019

**TO:** Directors, Exceptional Children Programs  
Preschool Coordinators, Exceptional Children Programs

**FROM:** Sherry Thomas, Exceptional Children Division *ST*  
Dan Tetreault, Office of Early Learning *DT*

### **RE: Allocation for PRC 119- Preschool Projects (Budget Revision #15)**

The Preschool Exceptional Children Program is pleased to announce the release of funds to PRC 119 to support: 1) LEA Preschool Coordinators professional development, 2) Preschool Demonstration Assessment Teams, and 4) the LEAs in the targeted Preschool Pyramid Model (PPM) project.

A series of professional development opportunities have been developed for LEA Preschool Coordinators, including but not limited to 1) Regional Preschool Coordinators Meeting (fall and spring); 2) the Exceptional Children Conference, 3) Transdisciplinary Play-Based Assessment Team training, and 4) the National Early Childhood Inclusion Institute. Each LEA has been allotted \$2,000 to ensure that their preschool leaders and /or staff attend these professional development events and can be used for travel, lodging, and subsistence related to meeting attendance. Cumberland, Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Wake, Guilford, and Forsyth will be allotted \$4,000 to support more staff attendance. LEA Preschool Coordinators who serve as regional representatives will also receive an additional \$1,000 to cover meeting costs.

LEAs may use these funds to support the participation of more than one person (special education coordinator and/or regular early childhood LEA partner) for the National Inclusion Institute. Please plan for use of funds accordingly and expend funds prior to December 30, 2020

Allocation amounts for the Preschool Demonstration Assessment Teams, and the targeted PPM projects align with the approved activities, spending plans and assurances.

If you have any questions related to the funding, please contact Dr. Vivian James at 919-218-8384, [vivian.james@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:vivian.james@dpi.nc.gov) or Dawn Meskil at 828-649-5290, [dawn.meskil@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:dawn.meskil@dpi.nc.gov).

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